


# Idaho Occupational Projections for 2014

~ ***Hot Jobs*** for the North Central Region ~



North Central Idaho's Hot Jobs are the jobs that on average rank high in three major criteria — the abundance of jobs in the economy, jobs that are growing the fastest and jobs with the highest pay.

The Hot Jobs are then disaggregated by education and training level.

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# TOP 50 HOT JOBS

The **Hot Jobs** order is determined by the average rank of the three criteria with the hottest jobs listed at the top.

Occupational Title	Projected 2014 Employment	Average Annual Job Openings*	2005-06 Median Hourly Wage	Required Education or Training Level**
Pharmacists	124	5	\$40.34	1-PD
General & Operations Managers	969	33	\$22.59	B+
Postal Service Mail Carriers	321	15	\$20.83	B+
Registered Nurses	895	31	\$22.27	A
Claims Adjusters, Examiners, & Investigators	127	4	\$24.65	LT
Sales Representatives, Wholesale & Manufacturing, Except Technical & Scientific Products	402	18	\$17.13	MT
Sales Managers	92	3	\$28.73	B+
Postal Service Clerks	110	5	\$22.03	B+
Computer Systems Analysts	90	3	\$27.76	B
Postmasters & Mail Superintendents	91	3	\$23.48	WE
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	749	27	\$15.27	MT
Postsecondary Teachers	1,900	67	\$48,169	PhD
Financial Managers	325	9	\$20.97	B+
Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	230	10	\$17.11	LT
Chief Executives	600	17	\$26.63	B+
Medical Assistants	191	8	\$15.16	MT
Computer & Information Systems Managers	89	3	\$25.39	B+
Electricians	224	7	\$20.91	LT
Elementary & Middle School Teachers, Except Special Education	508	14	\$42,905	B
Physician Assistants	45	2	\$29.38	B
Highway Maintenance Workers	136	4	\$15.95	MT
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Production & Operating Workers	226	8	\$17.66	WE
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special & Voc Education	557	17	\$43,424	B
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Transportation & Material-Moving Machine & Vehicle Operators	59	3	\$21.18	WE
Network & Computer Systems Administrators	65	2	\$19.71	B
Forest & Conservation Technicians	123	5	\$18.15	A
Natural Sciences Managers	88	3	\$24.79	B+
Customer Service Representatives	422	14	\$12.07	MT
Cost Estimators	74	3	\$17.38	WE
Administrative Services Managers	141	4	\$19.46	B+
Education Administrators, Postsecondary	127	4	\$70,376	B+
Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software	52	1	\$31.12	B
Driver/Sales Workers	174	6	\$12.73	B+
Accountants & Auditors	282	7	\$20.45	B
Database Administrators	34	1	\$24.97	B
Social & Human Service Assistants	219	8	\$10.45	MT
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Office & Admin Support Workers	496	14	\$17.39	WE
Pharmacy Technicians	109	5	\$11.07	MT
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	147	5	\$11.64	PVA
Plumbers, Pipefitters & Steamfitters	102	3	\$19.72	LT
Engineering Managers	57	2	\$35.36	B+
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	505	14	\$15.36	MT
Physical Therapist Assistants	44	2	\$19.06	A
Conservation Scientists	71	3	\$26.13	B
Personal & Home Care Aides	407	16	\$8.29	B+
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Mechanics, Installers, & Repairers	161	5	\$20.81	WE
Millwrights	136	5	\$16.23	LT
Home Health Aides	188	8	\$9.09	B+
Social & Community Service Managers	64	2	\$18.93	B
Physicians & Surgeons	72	1	NA	1-PD

[Median Annual Wage](#)

\*Average annual job openings include new jobs plus replacement jobs.

\*\*Education/Training Key: PhD—doctoral degree; 1-PD—first professional degree; A—associate degree; B—bachelor's degree; B+—bachelor's or higher degree plus work experience; LT—long-term on-the-job training; MT—moderate-term on-the-job training; ST—short-term, on-the-job training;

PVA—postsecondary vocational award; WE—work experience in related occupation.

## Top 15 Jobs — Short Preparation

These occupations require short-term on-the-job training.

Occupational Title	Projected 2014 Employment	Average Annual Job Openings*	2005-06 Median Hourly Wage
Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	1,117	62	\$6.92
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	694	22	\$7.09
Retail Salespersons	1,875	91	\$9.32
Personal & Home Care Aides	407	16	\$8.29
Waiters & Waitresses	706	43	\$6.42
Cooks, Fast Food	504	23	\$6.80
Postal Service Mail Carriers	321	15	\$20.83
Helpers—Carpenters	435	23	\$10.95
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	939	29	\$8.70
Tellers	327	19	\$9.24
Home Health Aides	188	8	\$9.09
Cashiers	1,686	92	\$7.61
Counter & Rental Clerks	133	7	\$8.61
Bartenders	217	11	\$6.41
Dishwashers	217	10	\$6.64

\* Annual job openings include new jobs plus replacement jobs.

Short preparation includes short-term on-the-job training.



## Top 15 Jobs — Little Preparation

These occupations require moderate-term on-the-job training.



Occupational Title	Projected 2014 Employment	Average Annual Job Openings*	2005-06 Median Hourly Wage
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	749	27	\$15.27
Sales Representatives, Wholesale & Manufacturing, Except Technical & Scientific Products	402	18	\$17.13
Customer Service Representatives	422	14	\$12.07
Medical Assistants	191	8	\$15.16
Team Assemblers	472	18	\$10.67
Social & Human Service Assistants	219	8	\$10.45
Pharmacy Technicians	109	5	\$11.07
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	505	14	\$15.36
Bookkeeping, Accounting & Auditing Clerks	720	17	\$12.27
Highway Maintenance Workers	136	4	\$15.95
Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	787	17	\$13.80
Construction Laborers	668	12	\$10.30
Correctional Officers & Jailers	108	4	\$13.17
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical & Executive	708	14	\$9.71
Sawing Machine Setters, Operators & Tenders, Wood	232	7	\$11.66

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Little preparation includes moderate-term on-the-job training.

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## Top 15 Jobs — Medium Preparation

These occupations require one or more of the following: an associate degree, postsecondary vocational award, work experience in a related occupation and long-term on-the-job training.

Occupational Title	Projected 2014 Employment	Average Annual Job Openings*	2005-06 Median Hourly Wage
Registered Nurses	895	31	\$22.27
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Food Preparation & Serving Workers	537	20	\$9.95
Gaming Dealers	215	11	NA
Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	230	10	\$17.11
Nursing Aides, Orderlies & Attendants	1,055	23	\$8.99
Cooks, Restaurant	175	8	\$8.52
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	147	5	\$11.64
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Production & Operating Workers	226	8	\$17.66
Claims Adjusters, Examiners & Investigators	127	4	\$24.65
Welders, Cutters, Solderers & Brazers	206	8	\$13.67
First-Line Supervs/Mgrs of Office & Admin Support Workers	496	14	\$17.39
Farming, Fishing & Forestry Occupations	745	18	\$14.94
Electricians	224	7	\$20.91
Forest & Conservation Technicians	123	5	\$18.15
Commercial Pilots	145	6	NA



\*Annual job openings include new jobs plus replacement jobs.

Middle preparation includes associate degree, postsecondary vocational award, work experience in a related occupation and long-term on-the-job training.

## Top 15 jobs — Long Preparation

These occupations require one of the following; first professional degree, doctoral degree, master's degree, bachelor's degree or higher.  
Work experience plus bachelor's degree is also eligible.



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General & Operations Managers	969	33	\$22.59
Postsecondary Teachers	1,900	67	<b>\$48,169</b>
Financial Managers	325	9	\$20.97
Pharmacists	124	5	\$40.34
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Secondary School Teachers, Except Special & Voc Education	557	17	<b>\$43,424</b>
Sales Managers	92	3	\$28.73
Computer Systems Analysts	90	3	\$27.76
Animal Scientists	794	15	NA
Administrative Services Managers	141	4	\$19.46
Child, Family & School Social Workers	132	4	<b>\$26,389</b>
Accountants & Auditors	282	7	\$20.45
Insurance Sales Agents	216	7	\$17.74
Computer & Information Systems Managers	89	3	\$25.39

*Median Annual Wage*

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Long preparation includes one of the following: first professional degree, doctoral degree, master's degree, bachelor's degree or higher. Work experience plus a bachelor's degree also is eligible.